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## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

### LONDON TO AUSTRALIA AERIAL ROUTE.

London, December 11th.  
The success of the flight to Australia is made a feature in the English papers who have published editorials and special articles paying a tribute to Capt. Ross Smith's triumph and pointing out the value of his pioneer work in speeding up communication between Great Britain and distant Dominions. The papers emphasise the fact that the Atlantic flight was a sensational feat, but the Australian flight was an enduring performance, immensely stimulating private enterprise and forecasting regular commercial air travelling.

The Australian Government is praised for its enterprise in starting a competition which promises to place Great Britain in the forefront of world aviation.

The papers point out that the chief value of the flight lies not so much in the fact that Australia has been reached, as in the fact that four continents have been bridged and practically every overland stage can be made a paying commercial proposition, especially the long line of commercial centres near the Indian Ocean.

The air route, from Egypt to the East, which the Government is proposing to develop largely lies in countries lacking roads, railways and sea communication, whose commercial development will be best accelerated by aircraft, and, though Captain Ross Smith has not appreciably reduced the time covered in journeying to Australia, he has brought nearer the day when by the establishment of a chain of permanent stations the aerial post between England and Australia will be an accomplished fact and the backward regions en route will be developed by British air enterprise. Hence, the present flight is praised, not as a sporting event, but as definitely opening a new era of navigation which will draw the peoples of the world closer, particularly the widely dispersed territories of the British Empire.

London, December 11th.  
The Times' Sydney correspondent states that Captain Ross Smith's actual flying time was 134 hours, with an average speed of 75 miles per hour.

The machine was sighted in Australia 40 miles away.

The longest time in the air was 94 hours, between Karachi and Delhi, when he was obliged to avoid the great desert as the fine dust would injure the engines.

The worst weather was encountered in Malaya, where owing to the heat and stagnation of the air, he worked night and day, tinkering the machine.

The hospitality of the Netherlands-Indies officials was overwhelming.

The airman are emphatic that they do not wish to repeat the feat as the variations of heat and cold proved too much of a strain on the machine, but they are convinced that a commercial air route is feasible with relays of machines.

London, December 11th.

The Daily News' expert is of the opinion that the flight between England and Australia should be accomplished in ten days, with relays, pilots and machines en route. He says that the lesson of Capt. Ross Smith's success is obvious, namely, the necessity for an immediate effort to make Imperial Airways a commercial proposition. There is no reason why a network of airways should not be constructed on the surface of all continents and the supremacy of the air definitely secured for Great Britain.

The next Imperial airway for pioneers to conquer is the London-Cairo-Cape-town route.

### BOXING.

Paris, December 11th.  
Carpentier has officially challenged Dempsey for the World's Championship, the fight to take place anywhere.

### THE AUSTRALIAN SHIPPING STRIKE.

Melbourne, December 11th.  
The loading of overseas vessels, which was discontinued owing to the Lumpers' "go-slow" policy, is now entirely suspended.

### BOLSHEVISTS MAY ABANDON EUROPEAN RUSSIA.

London, December 12th.  
The Times states that authoritative disclosures foreshadow the possibility of the Bolsheviks ultimately abandoning European Russia and establishing themselves in the heart of Middle Asia. It points out that the Bolsheviks hold a large part of trans-Caspia and Central Asia and are about to attack Krasnovodsk and the eastern Caspian shores. Furthermore, they are establishing intimate relations with Afghanistan, and their emissaries at Kabul are advocating an attack on Great Britain through India.

It is reported that hundreds of Hindus have been trained in Bolshevik propaganda at Moscow. Some are already journeying to India supplied with considerable Bolshevik gold.

The Times, in a leader, points out that General Denikin and Kolchak are fighting the Empire's battle because, in the event of a defeat, the Soviet armies could be diverted to Afghanistan with a view to attacking India. It is of opinion that the consequences of defeat would soon be felt on the Indian frontier. Meanwhile, the Bolsheviks are closely negotiating with the Turkish rebel, General Mustafa Kemal in Asia Minor, supplying funds to the young Turks and inciting Georgia and the Muscovite Mahomedan republic of Azerbaijan, to ally themselves with the Turkish revolutionaries.

### GERMAN REPLY TO ALLIES NOTE.

Paris, December 11th.  
The German reply is reported to have arrived and is substantially a capitulation of the Schape Flow question and proposes the discussion of the other points.

## TO-DAY'S CABLE.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

### CLEMENCEAU IN ENGLAND.

London, December 11.  
M. Clemenceau arrived at Victoria and was met by Mr. Lloyd George, Lord Carson, Mr. Walter Long, and the French ambassador. He was accorded a great ovation. The Channel crossing was most rough. The French destroyer "Téméraire" was continuously overcast by heavy seas. This necessitated a landing at Dover instead of Folkestone. At mid-day M. Clemenceau had a conversation with Mr. Lloyd George at Downing Street. It is understood the discussions will include the subject of French exchange, which is now forty-five francs to the sovereign, the coal supplies of France, the League of Nations, the peace treaty, the situation in the United States, and in Russia, Turkey, and the Adriatic.

### FUNERAL.

#### LATE WARDER J. L. SPEED.

At the Roman Catholic cemetery last evening, the remains of the late Warder J. L. Speed of the Victoria Jail, were laid to rest. There was a large gathering present to pay its last tribute to the popular deceased officer whose tragic death brought a veil of sorrow over Hongkong yesterday. The coffin was conveyed in a hearse from the Victoria Jail and was transferred to a gun-carriage at the Monument. The procession formed up at the Monument in the following order: Band of the Wiltshire Regiment playing Chopin's "Funeral March"; a firing party drawn from the deceased's Company of the Hongkong Volunteer Corps, under Sergt. Jeffries; the gun-carriage, drawn by members of the Hongkong Police force, on which rested the coffin which was draped with a huge Union Jack and surmounted by the deceased officer's cap and sword, and a wreath from "wife and child." Behind the gun-carriage walked Mr. J. R. Wood, Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse, C.I.E., Mr. N. L. Smith, Mr. J. W. Franks (Assistant Superintendent of the Jail), Dr. Woodman, Major Wakeman, Capt. Stewart, Lieut. Reis, Lieut. Higby and the Warders of Victoria Jail preceded by Chief Warder Passmore, Principal Warders McLeod and Calvert, and Senior Warders West and Guest. Then came Chief Inspector Kerr and Inspectors Brazil, Macdonald, Kent, Grant and Davitt of the Police Force, followed by the Sergeants and European P.Cs. of the Force. The general public brought up the rear of a long and imposing procession.

When the cemetery gates were reached, six colleagues of the deceased conveyed the coffin on their shoulders to its last resting place. Fr. Augustine conducted the burial service, assisted by Fr. Bianchi. Three volleys were fired and the Last Post sounded at the conclusion of the service.

Father Augustine delivered a funeral oration, in which he stated another man had finished his career, like the man who was already lying by the side of the new grave. He knew that all would be sorry at the loss of another protector of the people of Hongkong. Although in times of prosperity the Army, the Navy, the Police and the custodians of prisoners were sometimes not looked upon with great favour, yet everybody knew that they were absolutely necessary for the safety of the Colony.

The deceased had fulfilled his duty by fighting for his country and his King, and now he had done his duty to the Colony and had given his life for it. He was now gone to the reward which God promised to all who fulfilled their duty. Those present were all Christians and believed in God and they all must know the deceased was happy where his soul now was, and if he were to come amidst his friends he would tell them that he had received the reward that God promised to all who performed their labours faithfully. They should not forget that there was a supreme God who would call them to account for their stewardship and if they were faithful to their duties, not selfish, but helping their fellowmen, and obedient to their superiors, they could expect in the next life the happiness they craved for on earth.

Many wreaths were sent including those from the following:—Members of the R.N.Y.P.; Sanitary Board Department; European Warders of the Victoria Jail; Clerical Staff, Prison Department; Indian Jail Warders; Central Police Station; European Police; Shaikwan; Mohammedan Warders; Detective Sergeants; Central No. 2 Police Station Mess; Sergeants of No. 5 Station; Warders of Victoria Jail; Astor House Hotel; Officers Mess, Victoria Jail; General Department; Wife and Child; Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolff, C.S.P.; Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse, C.I.E.; Principal Warder and Mrs. Passmore; Principal Warder and Mrs. Calvert; Dr. W. J. Woodman; Chief Inspector Kerr; Inspector Brazil; Inspector and Mrs. Gaird; Inspector and Mrs.

### OXFORD PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION—RESULT.

#### DIOCESAN BOYS' SCHOOL.

H. Landolt (Honours 1st Class), A. Zimmern, D. F. Lopes (Honours 3rd Class), H. Kew (Honours 3rd Class), W. Hung, G. Zimmern, H. Clayton, G. R. Razavet, M. P. Au, F. W. Lee, P. N. Ho, F. N. Doodha, H. Hung, A. Gourd, J. Macdonald, H. T. Chan, P. W. Ho, C. Y. Wong, W. P. Tai, C. F. Kam, C. Mackenzie, J. Thomson, G. Mooney, T. E. Anderson, and K. Y. Chung.  
C. Silva, C. E. Roza-Pereira, J. M. Alves Machado, J. Tam Wing On, C. P. Lam, K. W. Siu, C. P. Cooper, F. P. Hachima, J. R. Gomes, J. M. Neves, H. A. Barros, J. M. N. da Silva, E. A. G. Jordan, V. A. da Cruz, H. Braga, A. Silva, and N. Shalabano.

BELLIO'S PUBLIC SCHOOL.  
M. Rosario, J. D. Chenallo, B. dos Santos, G. Mooney, L. C. Tung, C. Xavier, C. de Figueiredo, J. Gutierrez, E. Osmond, P. C. Lai, Y. C. Li, S. Y. Lau, K. L. Wei, and K. F. Wong.

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C. W. Cheng and T. K. Lee.

### VIGNETTES OF HONGKONG.

#### VII.

The Unofficial Member was drowsy. Tiffin was working his spell, and his head dropped slowly and jerkily towards his bosom.

His Excellency rose. "I suggest," he said, "that the word 'as' in line four be altered to the word 'to.' This I am convinced."

A figure in a flowing robe entered the room and advanced to the table, carrying a roll of writing.

"I think," the figure remarked, "that you will find it best to do as I used to do in difficulties—wash your hands of it all. On several occasions I have found this a most useful piece of symbolism. For instance,"

"Who are you?" queried His Excellency, who was still on his feet.

"I am Pilate," replied the newcomer. "Rumours of your unusual and impartial justice have reached me in the Shades, and so I came to see for myself the system that has outdone Rome and laid the foundations of an Empire even as great as ours. Tell me your principles."

"Principles," said the Laird, springing to his feet, principles! They have none. They have only the interest! "Are you sincere?" he went on, turning to the other members.

"Hardly," came a voice; "but, I think I control..."

"Shares!" cried the Laird, advancing to Pilate with outstretched hand. "Let us fight this gang, you and I..." But Pilate had vanished.

The Unofficial Member dozed.

His Excellency rose. "I suggest," he said, "that the word 'to' in line five be altered to the word 'as.' This, I am convinced..."

KEITH WEST.

Kent; Inspector and Mrs. Brazil; Inspector and Mrs. Davitt; Chief Detective Inspector Murison; Sergeants Clarke and Reid; Warders Hoenees, Johnson, and Hill; Warder and Mrs. Jas. McLeod; Mr. J. O. Buchanan; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas; Mr. and Mrs. Didsbury; Mr. and Mrs. H. Millington; Mr. and Mrs. J. Carr; Mr. and Mrs. Field; Mr. D. Urquhart; Mr. Cast; Mr. and Mrs. F. T. James; Mr. and Mrs. C. Watt; Mr. and Mrs. A. Gibson; Mr. P. Forster; Mr. T. D. Leakey; Mr. and Mrs. P. W. A. Wilkie.

INDIAN WARDER'S FUNERAL.  
The funeral of the Indian Warder also took place yesterday at the Mohammedan Cemetery and was followed by the Indian warders and members of the Indian Police Force.

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Valuable Chinese Porcelains,  
Curios,  
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Decorations, Crackers,  
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Hongkong, December 10, 1919.

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## NOTICES.

### COLONIAL SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that Sealed Tenders in duplicate, which  
should be clearly marked "TENDER FOR QUARRIES" will be received  
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the letting of the undermentioned Granite Quarries at Hongkong, Kowloon,  
and the New Territories, for one year from the 1st January, 1920.

Each tender must be accompanied by a receipt to the effect that the  
tenderer has deposited in the Colonial Treasury a sum as stated in the  
schedule hereunder, opposite to each quarry, as a pledge of the bona fides  
of his offer, which sum shall be forfeited to the Crown, if the tenderer  
refuses to carry out his tender and comply with the conditions hereinafter  
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Shaukiwan Nos. 3 & 4	73.15	5,300.00	880.00
(1) Hek Un No. 6	8.44	4,300.00	700.00
Ma Tau Kok No. 7	6.70	1,600.00	260.00
Do 8	4.60	1,200.00	200.00
Jordan Road No. 10	4.65	1,300.00	220.00
Ngan Tau Kok No. 6	2.22	800.00	130.00
Do Nos. 1-5, 7, 8, 10-19, 20 & 25	10.80	2,100.00	350.00
Do Nos. 9, 11-14, 21 & 22	3.90	200.00	35.00
Cha Kwo Liang No. 1-30	24.56	2,500.00	410.00
Sai To Wan Nos. 1-16	16.53	500.00	80.00
Lyman No. 1-25	26.44	2,800.00	460.00
Do No. 28	2.10	400.00	65.00
Fuk Tsan Heung No. 12	4.88	1,400.00	230.00

(1) The tenderer for Hek Un Quarry Lot No. 6 will also have to  
include in his tender the sum of \$100.00 towards the cost of constructing  
a wall to prevent damage to K. L. S. 1282 & 1223.

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new type of davit swinging gear, i.e.,  
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The inventors have broken new  
ground in their treatment of the  
problem of handling boats' davits, and  
have produced a gear which marks a  
distinct advance in certain directions  
as compared with even the best of  
the gears at present on the market.  
In the first place, the gear for one  
pair of davits can be operated by one  
man, and enables a boat to be turned  
out against a 20 degree list in well  
under two minutes, and further satis-  
fies all other of the various require-  
ments of the Board of Trade as  
affecting mechanical appliances for  
boats' davits.

Its special claims for consideration,  
however, lie in the following facts:—  
1.—It is designed for fitting to  
ordinary davits.

2.—The gear is under positive con-  
trol throughout the operation of  
swinging out the boat, and both  
davits are mechanically linked so  
that it is impossible for them to get  
out of step.

3.—With suitable power all the  
boats in davits on one side of a deck  
can be put out at once. The gear  
has no sliding movements or racks,  
and the arrangement of the worms  
and wormwheels up under the boat  
deck insures that working stresses  
are limited, and gear is immune from  
any danger of jamming due to choked  
racks screw threads, etc., a danger  
which is ever present in the case of  
several existing types of gear.

4.—The actual motion of the boat  
from inboard to outboard is identical  
with its motion if the davits are  
operated by hand, and as a con-  
sequence it is possible in many cases  
to arrange for more pairs of davits  
than if other gears are fitted, which  
require space before and abaft the  
ends of the boat. With the Helix  
Davit Gear the end of a boat may  
overhang the end of a boat deck or  
bridge.

5.—The gear has been designed to  
permit of standardising the parts and  
can be produced and fitted at a cost  
which will compare very favourably  
with the cost of fitting other gears.—  
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## INTIMATIONS

G. R.

### NOTICE.

ATTENTION is drawn to the fact  
that, under the Army Act, a  
Soldier cannot be placed under stop-  
pages of pay for a private debt. Trade-  
men and others, who suffer soldiers to  
contract debts, do so at their own risk.

C. LESLIE SMITH,  
Major.

D.D.A. and Q.M.G.

CHINA COMMAND.

Hongkong, December 15, 1919.

## HONGKONG HOTEL.

Great Success of the Clever

Entertainers

AILEEN AND DORIS WOODS

who will appear again

at the

TEA DANSANTS

ON

THURSDAY, 18th December, 1919.

Entrances to Dance Room \$2; Hotel

Residents \$1.

J. H. TAGGART,  
Manager.

## NOTICE.

REPULSE BAY HOTEL.

IN Order to enable the Contractors to

complete the work in connection

with the above Hotel at the earliest

possible date without interruption, and

in order to avoid all possibility of dam-

age to the Flooring, Tiles, Paint Work,

etc. The public are requested to

kindly abstain from visiting the Hotel

as on and from this date until its

completion and formal opening on

which due Notice will be given by

advertisement in the local newspaper.

The Management of the Hotel feel

sure that they may rely upon the ready

co-operation of the public in the fore-

going regard.

Dated this Sixth day of November,

1919.

For the HONGKONG HOTEL CO., LTD.

PROPRIETORS OF THE

REPULSE BAY HOTEL.

J. H. TAGGART,  
Manager.

## WHOOPIING COUGH.

WHEN your child has whooping

cough be careful to keep the

cough loose and expectoration easy by

giving Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as

may be required. This remedy will also

liquify the tough mucus and make it

easier to expectorate. It has been used

successfully in many epidemics and will

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substances. It is perfectly safe. For sale

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**New Royal Model 10**  
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Get the Facts!  
Send for the "Royal man" and ask  
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Christmas is coming.

What about those Presents you intend

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### OUR CHARITABLE POLICE.

#### LABOUR CORPS MAN STRANDED IN HONGKONG.

Before Mr. J. R. Wood at the Magistrate's Court, a Shanghai Chinese named Lee Ah Tow, was charged with the unlawful possession of 23 panes of glass in Water Street, West Point, at 4 o'clock this morning.

The defendant pleaded "not guilty" and said he bought the glass from a coolie for \$1.

A Chinese detective giving evidence said he was on duty in Water Street this morning when he saw the defendant, who was carrying the glass (produced) which was wrapped up in a piece of cloth, under his arm. The defendant was moving about in a suspicious manner and going up to him, witness asked him what he had under his arm. The defendant exhibited the glass and said he was going to work. Witness asked him where he worked and the defendant answered, "When I was in the French Labour Corps in France for over two years as interpreter and translator and returned recently on the French mail 'Paul Lecat'." The defendant and three others jumped ship here where he tried to find work, and after spending all his money rather foolishly, became stranded.

The defendant said he was a cabin boy on one of the Standard Oil Co.'s steamers before the war. He later joined the Chinese Labour Corps as an interpreter and served in France for over two years. He bought the glass from a coolie at the corner of Water Street this morning. He paid \$1 for it.

By his Worship: He intended to sell the glass at a profit and buy a passage back to Shanghai where he can look for work as a seaman.

The defendant asked his Worship to excuse him as he did not know local regulations. He promised to endeavour to return to his country as soon as possible.

Inspector Macdonald said he would take the defendant to the office of the Secretary of Chinese Affairs and see if he cannot arrange for a passage for the defendant.

His Worship to defendant: I do not believe that you came by the glass honestly, but in consideration of the fact that you have served in France, I will not send you to jail. You will sign a bond of \$50 to come up for judgment when called upon to do so, and if you are brought before me again, you will be liable to six months' imprisonment. The Inspector will take you to the Secretary for Chinese Affairs to arrange for a passage back to your home.

After the case, when the defendant was removed from Court, Inspector Macdonald and a few sympathisers subscribed a couple of dollars and handed them to the defendant, as a little contribution towards his incidental expenses until he is sent home.

### THE HONGKONG CHESS CLUB.

The Annual Meeting of the Hongkong Chess Club was held on Friday, the 12th, December, 1919 at 5.15 p.m. at the City Hall.

The Accounts were passed and the following Committee were elected:— President, Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C.

Hon. Treasurer, A. F. B. Silva-Netto.

Hon. Secretary, D. E. de Carvalho, Hon. Mr. J. H. Kemp, Dr. J. H. Sanders, and E. Christensen.

The matches arranged for the season are:—

Championship of the Club (Two Prizes). One Dollar entrance fee.

Match for A. Class Players not entering in the Championship (Two Prizes). 50 Cent entrance fee.

Match for B. Class Players (Two Prizes). 50 Cent entrance fee.

Team Match 12 aside. Portugal v. the World fixed for play will be on Tuesday and Thursday of each week, at the City Hall Library.

### CHINESE TELEGRAMS.

(By arrangement with Wah Tsz Yid Po.)

SHANGHAI, Dec. 15.

Dr. Wellington Koo has been ordered to sign the German Peace Treaty, with a reservation regarding the Shantung clauses.

In the capital of Anhui (Anking, n.e. of Hankow) the police are on strike, even the Captain Supt. resigning. General Ni Ch Chang says the Civil Governor caused the trouble. The latter has resigned.

There is nothing new about the Foochow affair. The people object to a local settlement. The Japanese insist that the boycott should be suppressed. The Foreign Minister has received some reports.

Admiral Sir P. H. Yih wanted to take the Southern Fleet to Foochow, but Feking stopped him.

### BAD NEWS FROM THE WRECKED "LIENSHING."

#### NO EUROPEANS SAVED.

Mr. W. J. Stokes, of the Marine Engineers' Guild, has at last received definite telegraphic news from his Saigon correspondent. We are sorry to say it crushes the hopes that were beginning to be entertained locally. The cable message reads as follows:—

"Stokes, Hongkong. 'Lienshing.' Sorry no Europeans saved. Chinese 37. Cruz.

That means that of all the complement of passengers and crew, only 37 escaped, and that these were all Chinese.

The Europeans were Captain Cullen; chief officer, unknown; second officer, Mr. Leys; chief engineer, Mr. Chapman; second engineer, Mr. Barber and a passenger, Mr. McMillan.

A telegram has been received by the owners of the "Lien Shing" in Hongkong from Saigon, dated the 15th inst. It details the sinking of the ship at 2.30 on the morning of the 13th, during a great storm by striking on the Ongco Reefs. It gives the names of the Chinese saved and says that over 31 persons arrived safely at Saigon. Some will sail for Tonkin by the s.s. Verdun.

### SHIP INSURANCE CASE.

The insurance case at the Supreme Court which we reported yesterday continued to-day. At the initial hearing the Hon. Mr. Pollock said there was no question that the vessel was a total loss by perils insured against in the Straits of Malacca in December 1917. The question of the policy being a valued one was absolutely clinched later on in the terms when it stated that "no abatement shall be made." That clearly meant that the sum of \$20,000 should be paid.

This form, the proper form, of policy for a valued policy was the one used in this case. There was another kind of policy which would allow of deductions being made and counsel submitted this made his case all the stronger. He did not think applicants would require that assistance because they were asking His Lordship to construe this proper form of policy as it stood.

His Lordship observed he gathered from the correspondence that the point of view of a gambling policy had been dropped.

Mr. Potter said that was not so. The point did not arise under the summons. The other side said that \$20,000 must be paid whether there was a profit or loss because the vessel was lost.

Mr. Pollock did not agree. Mr. Potter proceeded to argue that they could still rely on gambling. The other side said there was no obligation on them to prove they had lost a penny of the profits. If the applicants had proved the total loss of profits they would have been paid. Liability could only attach when the ship was a total loss and when she became so, the applicants had to prove the amount of profit they had lost. If they proved \$200,000 they would be paid in full but if they proved \$100,000 they would only be paid half the share. The applicants said that the moment the ship was lost they became entitled to the full amount. If that construction were correct then the policy was a mere bet on the loss or otherwise of the ship, because the applicants would get \$20,000 whether they made a profit or not.

Mr. Pollock replied that applicants contended that the amount payable was that agreed between the parties and named in the policy.

CHINA NORTH AND SOUTH.

A well-known local gentleman who has just returned from Shanghai, in an interview with a *China Mail* representative, this morning, stated that he had recently been in close touch with Wong I-tang and Tang Shao-yi the Northern and Southern delegates respectively. Our informant states that from conversations with the former he is convinced that the Northern delegate is sincere in his desires to bring about an amicable settlement between the two parties, and that if only the mistrust which exists on the part of the Southern representative could be overcome the road to combination would be easy. Wong I-tang is reported to have said that he was sure that an arrangement would be arrived at sooner or later, and although, at the moment, proposals were suspended, he intended to remain in Shanghai to see the thing through.

Last week's communicable disease was diphtheria 2 cases (one British) enteric 4 (2 British) and c.a. fever 5. In the subsequent 48 hours there was a case of diphtheria and a case of c.a. fever.

"WALLA WALLA" boats are new and fast. Get them at Blake's.

### COTTON AND YARN.

Messrs. Polshwalla & Koirwall, cotton and yarn brokers, report on Dec. 15:

Since our last report on the 5th November per s.s. "Dunera" there has been no material change in our yarn market which has kept comparatively steady and about 7,000 bales have changed hands in spot and forward deliveries during this interval.

Owing to substantial fall in exchange on India, prices previously advanced \$3 to \$5 per bale but latterly on exchange rate again rallying, they have somewhat become easier.

On account of scarcity of 12s. yarn, which was in much demand a smart rise of \$10 per bale has taken place in this particular count.

Owing to incessant purchases by Japanese in India, yarn market there has consequently much strengthened and advances show large forward transactions up to about middle of next year at improved rates.

At the close our market is quiet with less enquiry.

Total sales 7,000 bales. Unsold stocks 3,600 bales. Uncleared 18,000 bales.

Arrivals—From Bombay 18,000 bales.

Shanghai reported a firm market in the beginning, but latterly a quiet tone prevails there.

Japanese Yarn:—A few lots have been put through at a decline of \$10 per bale as under:—Nagasaki, No. 20s., at \$355; 3 Horses, No. 16s., at \$333; 3 Horses, No. 20s., at \$350; 700 bales Yellow Joss, No. 20s., at \$360/350; Setai, No. 10s., at \$245; Setai, No. 20s., at \$357; and Blue Fish, No. 20s., at \$353.

Raw Cotton:—80 bales of Bengal are sold at \$45 per picul. Chinese cotton no stock, quotations \$50 to \$60 per picul.

### THE AMERICA CUP.

America has come forward with two candidates to compete against the Shamrock IV in the yacht race to be held on June 24 next year.

Trial races will be conducted in the early spring by the committee of New York Yacht Club, to decide between the Canonic, owned by Mr. Alexander, and the Resolute, owned by a syndicate of New York yachtsmen. Both vessels were built for the 1914 races.

The New York Yacht Club announces that a formal challenge has been received from Sir Thomas Lipton, and the committee of the club will meet during the coming week to consider the challenge, which will undoubtedly be accepted.

The race will probably be held on a course in Block Island Sound, off Newport, instead of in the Sandy Hook course.

LONG-DISTANCE WIRELESS TO SHIPS AT SEA.

The re-opening of the Marconi Company's wireless station at Fouldhu for the purpose of long-distance communication to ships at sea is a matter of some importance to the commercial world, for it removes yet another of the handicaps which have penalised British commercial interests during the several months since the signing of the armistice. Its sphere of influence is 1,500 miles—this being the night range, and for the present, at any rate, the Fouldhu service is limited to the night hours.

It is a puzzling fact, for which the limitation of human imagination appears to provide the only explanation, that whereas wireless messages from ships at sea to addresses on terra firma are not quite common, the traffic from land stations to ships is much lighter. *Journal of Commerce.*

### TO-DAY'S NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

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The Following Donations are gratefully acknowledged:—

Mr. T. Inouye	...	\$ 10.
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Messrs. Cherry & Co.	...	5.
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Mr. B. Christiansen	...	5.
Mr. Chas. H. Reid	...	5.
Mr. T. Carr Ramsay	...	\$ 100.
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Mr. J. M. Moorhead	...	10.
Mr. G. Dillon	...	10.
Mr. J. A. Bloomfield	...	10.
Mr. A. B. Pollock	...	10.
Mr. H. A. Oozio	...	5.
Mr. E. Miyamura	...	5.
Mr. T. M. King	...	5.
Mr. Kee Ban Soon	...	5.
Mr. A. Thompson	...	5.
Mr. G. Duncan Whyte	...	5.
Mr. C. H. Arnold	...	5.
Mr. M. S. Myers	...	5.
Mr. G. D. Fitzpice	...	5.
Swatow to Hongkong	...	\$ 310.
Profit on Exchange	...	50.18
	...	\$ 360.18
Anonymous (proceeds of cheque p. 10)	...	38.20
	...	\$ 398.38
Already acknowledged	...	6.188.
	...	\$ 5,651.38

Further Subscriptions are invited and may be sent to the Hon. Treasurer, H. MATHESON, c/o Chartered Bank of India, Australia & China.

Hongkong, December 16, 1919.

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### TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

#### ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

NOTICE IS HEREBY given that the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Club will be held in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co., Ltd. on TUESDAY December 23, 1919, at 5.15 p.m.

(a) To receive from the Committee a report, Balance Sheet and Statement of accounts for the year ended Sept. 30, 1919.

(b) To elect Officers and other members of the Committee in the place of the retiring members thereof.

(c) To decide on any resolution which may have been submitted to the meeting.

By Order,  
J. W. FRANKS,  
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, December 18, 1919.

#### PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction

on THURSDAY, December 18, 1919, commencing at 11 a.m., at his Sales Rooms, Duddell Street, A Selection of Fine Mechanical Toys.

Terms:—Cash on delivery.  
GEO. P. LAMBERT,  
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, December 16, 1919.

#### PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction (For Account of the Concerned),

on FRIDAY, December 19, 1919, at 10.30 a.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of

Loe House Street, A small consignment of first class CHOCOLATES.

Including:—Duchess, Connoisseur, King's fancies, &c., &c., &c.

The above arrived by Steamer on the 14th instant.

To be sold in small lots.  
Terms:—Cash.  
HUGHES & HOUGH,  
Auctioneers.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from E. RAYNES, Esq., to sell by Public Auction

on MONDAY, December 22, 1919, at 10.30 a.m., at his residence No. 126, the Peak, THE

valuable Household Furniture, therein contained.

Comprising:—

Arm-chairs and "Chesterfield" Sofa, Carpets and Rugs, Card Tables Brass Fenders and Fire Brasses, Marble Clock, &c., Teak Dining Suite, (Walnut Stain) comprising large Mirror back Sideboard, Dinner Wagon, Glass Cabinet, Oval Extension Dining Table and Chairs, Sundry Glass, Crochery Ware, &c., large Oak Bedstead (Hair Mattresses), Wardrobes, Washstand, Brass Twin Bedstead, specially designed Toilet Table with adjustable Mirror by Powell, White Enamelled Bedroom and Nursery Furniture, Bedroom Cupboards, Roll-top Desk, Pantry and Kitchen Utensils.

Also New Saplings, Pot Plants, including a number of Pots Maiden Hair Fern, Lawn Mower, &c., &c.

(Full Particulars from Catalogue).  
On view Sunday 21st inst. from 2 p.m. Terms:—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,  
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, December 16, 1919.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "DOYLESTOWN,"

From SHANGHAI.

THE above-mentioned vessel having arrived from the above-mentioned Port, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Cargo will be landed at their risk into the Godowns and/or extra Hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., and stored at Consignees' risk.

Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified that they must produce an Import Permit signed by the Superintendent of the Imports and Exports, Hongkong, before bills of lading can be countersigned.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on December 22, at 10 a.m.

All claims must be presented within a week of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognized.

No claim will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining unclaimed after December 23, will be subject to sale.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature immediately.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.,  
As Operators, U.S. SHIPPING BOARD.  
Hongkong, December 16, 1919.

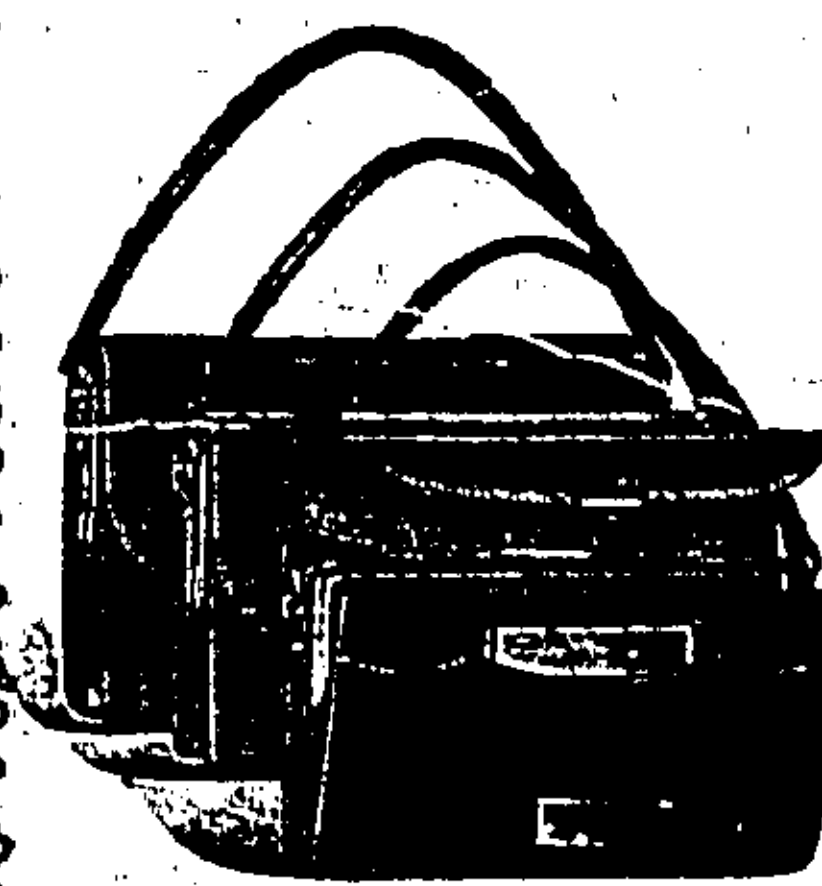
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1 " D. O. M. ... ..  
1 Qt. Martell's XXX Brandy ... ..  
2 " King George IV Whisky White Label or "Perfection" Whisky ... ..

1 " Superb Tawny Port ... ..  
2 " St. Julien Claret ... ..  
1 " Old Brown Sherry Red Seal ... ..  
1 " Gin, D. O. L. Old Tom or Dry ... ..  
1 " Burgoyne's Burgundy ... ..  
1 " phial Pomeranian Bitters ... ..

No. 2 HAMPER.



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SUMATRA MARU—Sunday, 4th January.

BOMBAY &amp; COLOMBO—Regular fortnightly service via S'pore.

GANGES MARU—Friday, 18th December.

SAIGON, BANGKOK, &amp; SINGAPORE—Regular Monthly service.

SHISEN MARU—Wednesday, 31st December.

SY. NEY &amp; MELBOURNE—Monthly service taking cargo to New Zealand and Pacific Islands.

KUNAJIRI MARU—Monday, 29th December.

VICTORIA &amp; VANCOUVER—Tacoma via Manila, Keelung, Shanghai, Nagasaki, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama &amp; Yokohama.

MEXICO MARU (Calling Shanghai) Tuesday, 23rd December.

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THE DIARY OF A  
HONGKONG LADY.EXPERIENCES IN DEVASTATED  
BELGIUM.

We have been hearing a great deal about the need to assist the Belgian and French people to reconstruct their villages and homes.

Hongkong has been divided into two camps, those who sympathize with our unfortunate allies and who are doing all they can to support the local fund and those who consider that the stories of ingratitude which have been freely circulated point to the moral that we should mind our own business.

Into the midst of all this controversy comes a lady fresh from the scenes of devastation and full of pity and horror at the thought of all those homeless people. She was so pleased to hear of the efforts being made to assist them, by a local committee that she has given us her diary to publish in the hope of adding yet one more appeal to the feelings and generosity of the people of Hongkong.

It is always well to remember that it does not do to be too critical of the supplies for help or to ask whether the people are worthy of one's efforts.

How many of us could stand the limelight of keen inquiry upon our personal characters and if our claim to mercy in our hour of need depended upon the perfection of our lives, what a poor chance of salvation we should have.

When the war ceased and people had time to look around and take stock of all the danger and desolation wrought in France and Belgium, the realization of what it all means came as a righteous call to some of the people working there, and with this realization came also the knowledge that the cessation of hostilities had brought about an almost immediate reaction in people's practical sympathy.

In putting away the feeling of nightmare horror, that had walked side by side with humanity during the war years, people with a sigh of relief turned to their old thoughtless existence and said "Thank God we can be normal again, and many added the unconscious rider, and leave off giving."

All organizers of relief work felt and are feeling the effect of this reaction, and the public have to be continually reminded that the salvage of humanity and property can only now begin in earnest.

It is truly pitiful that such salvage should have to be aided by voluntary effort and tainted by charity instead of being entirely in the hands of efficiently run state departments, but the suffering people cannot wait for relief while we try to reform the governments of the world, nor can we break our hearts over problematic progress, while there are crying wants around us and tasks waiting to be done.

This briefly was the feeling of those men and women who were faced with the task of helping the Belgian refugees to reconstruct their homes and keep them fed and clothed while they waited.

Then some one conceived the idea of propaganda tours over the battlefields and certain areas of the devastated regions.

These tours run by a handful of ladies and assisted by the Belgian Government, were started so that people in England might realize the meaning of war at its grimness and see for themselves the terrors and horrors of a country laid waste by shell fire and sword and a people rendered homeless. It was felt that the tourist would return to their homes convinced of the crying need to aid with sympathy and practical help those who had suffered so terribly at the hands of our common enemy. Reading this diary may help to stir those who have lived comfortably out here and never come into actual contact with the realities of war and its consequences, and should strengthen the appeal for aid for women and children in the Devastated Regions of France which is making a final effort during the next few days.

Hotel Royal Phare,  
Ostende.

Friday, Aug. 15, 1919.

We left Charing Cross by the 9.45 Dover train (the Ostende boat leaving at 11.30) and arrived at 3.45 after a delightful crossing, on the Belgium Mail, which makes straight for Calais, and then turns N.E. and follows the coast line, keeping quite near to the land, so that we could plainly see the devastation wrought by gun fire at Dunkerke and Nieuport. As we came into the narrow entrance be-

tween the two breakwaters at Ostende, we noticed a big vessel lying on her side in the mud. This was the famous old "Vindictive," which had been damaged at Zeebrugge and had been brought by her crew and sunk at the mouth of the entrance to Ostende harbour, while the Germans were there in possession. She has now been hauled to the left hand of the entrance and is being hammered to pieces. She looked like a splendid old fallen warrior, and one naturally felt proud of the wonderful deeds she had accomplished before she lay there in the mud, with her task finished.

On disembarking we were met by Miss Dormer Maunder, and Lieut. Monnet, a Belgian officer, head of the Bureau of Reconstruction—Ostende Area—who was going to take us round the devastated country. Miss Dormer Maunder has been in Belgium during the whole of the war. She was in Ostende looking after the wounded, who were all laid on the floor of the Casino, awaiting a ship to take them off. Our navy could not then spare any ships, and Miss Maunder told us, she had nearly given up hope that they would be rescued in time, and quite thought they would have to be taken prisoners, when the Duke of Westminster and some others, sent their yachts across and brought them away, just as the Germans were entering the town. Miss Maunder returned to Dunkerke, where she remained nursing and doing all she could to help the Belgians to keep their spirits up, till the war was over.

We noticed that the large dock and station where we landed had been mostly demolished except for a few pieces of wall and the iron work. That was done of course by our guns, but we did remarkably little damage to Ostende itself, most of the houses being absolutely intact. I believe there were a few in the background that had been wrecked.

After the Customhouse official had been interviewed by Lieut. Monnet, we were allowed to pass out, and found waiting for us outside, two large military motor waggons, into which we climbed at the back by a ladder. The one we got into had just wooden seats with back unpadded, but there were several thicknesses of blanket fastened to the seats. The other van was more luxurious, the seats being padded and leather covered. So that was given the name of "The Rolls Royce." However, we preferred the less comfortable but more empty conveyance of the two, and kept to the same one all the time, there being only eight of us, and it could carry twenty inside.

We drove over the shabby cobble stones to "The Hotel Phare," one of the best hotels on the front, had tea, and got into the vans again and drove some three or four miles out to the east of the town, noticing as we went what strong natural defences, in the shape of sand dunes, the coast had; and this of course had been augmented by the Germans, with concrete and barbed wire; the whole of the coast being wonderfully and strongly fortified. Out here amid the sand dunes is the famous "Deutschland Battery," which consists of four gigantic guns, 15 inches in diameter and a range of 36 miles. They were originally intended to shell Dover if the Germans had gained possession of the Channel Ports. The length of these guns is 75ft., and before the Huns left, they demolished the breeches of them all. They are set in a dug out platform lined with cement 30 yards in diameter and took 17 months to set up in their respective positions. From concrete buildings in the background the ammunition was brought in small trucks worked by electricity right up to the guns, and the guns themselves revolved on rails in this circle of cement, and so had an enormous range. And needless to say the guns and ammunition sheds were camouflaged so well that their whereabouts were unknown to either British airmen or the Intelligence Department.

Since the Germans did not gain possession of the coast ports, these guns consequently were entirely for coast defence. They were manufactured by Krupp in 1916. And so much for the "Deutschland Battery" which was going to bring us all to our knees! Well, it is little wonder that the Huns thought so, seeing the gigantic strength of the guns.

Saturday—Left the hotel at 7.30 and drove along the front to "Middlekerke" to the west of Ostende. In going so we noticed at intervals all along the parade were new concrete squares in the pavement; these had been the entrances to the German dugouts which stretched all along the coast. There had also been machine gun emplacements and searchlights at intervals. Middlekerke had not fared as well as Ostende, as it was in a terribly ruined condition. None

of the houses along the front were intact, and many, just a heap of rubble. There had been a children's hospital there on the front, and nothing remained of it save the iron gates and paling. In a few cases people had started re-building their houses, and a few were finished and looked so strange standing there with ruined houses on either side of them. In most of them the ground floor were heaped up with sandbags under which the German soldiers lived in the cellars. The damage done here was of course also done by our naval guns and airmen. At the end of the parade was the mere outside shell of what was once the gigantic "Palace Hotel," which the Germans made into officers' Headquarters, and into this a young British airman aged 19 dropped—in August or September 1918—bombs, which blew the whole place to pieces, killing 400 men and women and entirely destroying the whole centre of the hotel.

There had been a fine colonnade along the front, which was also mostly destroyed. Here I picked-up a piece of crystal from a German searchlight, and a German revolver cartridge, and as we were wandering about I noticed out from among the ruins came a very thin and dilapidated German dash-dash. In all probability it had been left behind when the Germans retreated.

On leaving Middlekerke we drove inland, through land which had been occupied by the Huns since 1914. There one saw in all directions cement dugouts and pill boxes dotted over the country, in anticipation of a possible retreat. At the sides of the roads were camouflaged wooden screens with a grayish green thick kind of paper that looked as though it were made from reeds, and these acted as screens to the white roads along which they could take their men unperceived by the enemy.

The first village we came to, and called a halt at, was Slype. There was very little of it left, except a ruined church and a Calvary and very little else. We found the village baker just starting to re-build his house which had been completely demolished, and Miss Maunder said, when she came that way a fortnight ago, he was digging in the rubble to find his foundations. This he had done and had now with the aid of his Flemish wife, built two feet of wall and had also nearly cleared his little patch of garden. He told us that when the Germans invaded the country in 1914, the inhabitants only had six hours in which to clear out, and apparently, many of them returned again and lived among the ruins, as the baker said that his family had remained there during the occupation, while he fought with the French. He said that he hoped in about a month's time to be baking bread again, but that it required "beaucoup de courage" to begin from the beginning as he was doing now. Continuing our way through the same kind of country, we saw not a tree alive and not a yard of cultivated land; nothing but broken up soil and rank grass. The dreariness of the scene was terrible, in spite of the lovely bright weather. After passing the ruined village of St. Pierre Capelle we came to Schoorbakke on the "Yser" canal where we stopped and crossed the canal by a small wooden bridge, and saw the ruins of several others that had been blown up during the course of the war. On the further side of the canal we walked along duck boards which the Germans constructed to walk on when the sea was let in upon them. They consist of two horizontal pieces of wood with flat bars between, along which it was possible to walk in the mud and slush. From here, standing on top of one of the dugouts, we could see all the land that had been flooded when the sluice gates were opened at Nieuport and the sea came in covering the whole of that low-lying tract of land in two of three days, catching and destroying many German guns, men and horses, and thus saving the Channel ports. This, we were told was in October 1914, and this tract of land remained "No Man's Land" throughout the war, only having German observation posts here and there, reached by duckboards. It is sad to see this tract of land, once the richest pasture land in Belgium, now white with salt, cracked and useless, and they tell us that for at least seven years they will not be able to touch it. Schoorbakke itself consisted of nothing but a few heaps of bricks, and a wooden shanty where we had some nice hot coffee poured from a gigantic coffee pot into little china bowls, evidently the usual thing to drink from in Belgium as well as in China! After we had refreshed ourselves, we drove on through that ter-

rible stretch of land that had been flooded, with here and there a German pill box for the look-out men, as solidly built as usual. No trees of course and nothing but desolation on either side of us. Nieuport was to our right, some few miles away and one found it hard to picture that arid waste as once having been a beautiful pasture land.

At the further side of this flooded area was the little town of Pervyse, of which as usual there is nothing left but a heap of ruins. We were told that the place on which we were standing had been the railway station, but there was nothing to indicate this, save a few bricks and broken up railway track, along which we walked, and on our right hand was a pathetic cluster of little nameless graves of those who had given their lives defending their homes. In a dugout here two noble ladies of Pervyse lived and tended the sick and wounded, and one of the battery commanders was a monk. There was no one now except the dead, who lying there seemed to keep watch upon the remnants of their homes. All this area was occupied by the Germans in 1914, as far down as Dixmude on the Yser, which was so valiantly held by the Belgians, and the Germans never gaining possession of that bridge head, although they had many a fierce struggle for it. Here we saw the German dugouts on the right bank of the river and the Belgian on the left, terribly close quarters, and although the canal had widened somewhat into what they here called a river, it was by no means wide. We walked along a narrow winding track on the right bank, above German dugouts and defence works; the ground all round us, if we got off the track, being too bad to walk over, as it was one mass of shell craters, some several feet deep, many of them containing water, and seeing all this, makes one realise what years it will be before it can be levelled out again; also with so much churning up the sub-soil has come to the top, in which nothing there now, could exist. Also here again, one could not help comparing the strength of the German defences to those of the Belgians, and the marvel is that the latter managed to hold that line as they did. It must have been a gigantic struggle.

(To be continued.)

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## CORRESPONDENCE

## A SKIPPER'S ARGUMENT.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

Dear Sir,—Was there an ordinance passed prohibiting the working of cargo on board of ships while such ships were in the waters of the Colony of Hongkong?

Granted there is such an ordinance, why is it not put in force? It surely was not passed as a means of revenue to the Colony. We can quite understand that were Hongkong a tidal port and a vessel was going to get neaped if she was not allowed to work on a Sunday or were she bound to a port where it was certain she would be neaped it would be hard on the shipowner or charterer as the case might be that he should lose the earning power of his ship for five or six days thereby, but Hongkong is not a tidal port in the sense implied and even were the ship loading for a tidal port and a loss of five or six days likely to occur I would say let the punishment meet the crime, or in other words let a sum be paid commensurate with the amount saved in order to obtain a Sunday working permit which should be at no time less than two days' earning power of the ship or in the case of a charterer an amount not less than two days of his hire money.

The money so obtained could be put to some useful purpose in the way of a charitable institution for seamen or become the nucleus of a benevolent fund whereby seamen might obtain some benefit from their own enforced labour.

Even with all this no permit should be given without a sufficient and satisfactory reason due care being taken to ensure that the cause assigned be such as a permit should be granted for in order to avert what otherwise might be a serious loss and one which the ordinance was not meant to cover.

I feel certain this ordinance was passed to ameliorate the already hard lot of a seaman and only requires to be put in force in the spirit and letter of the law and when got used to work would go on just as satisfactory as it does at present with Sunday included. Why look at our Home Ports, no work is done there on Sunday. Why here? Are we Christians only when we are in Britain and become Pagans immediately we leave it?

Here is an opportunity for our new Governor to prove his appreciation of what the officers, engineers and men of our Mercantile Marine have done for the world at large when combating the submarine menace during the late war, and I feel certain that should his Excellency move in the matter there will not be one officer or man trading in no uncertain voice A. Daniel—A Second Daniel come to judgment—Yours truly,

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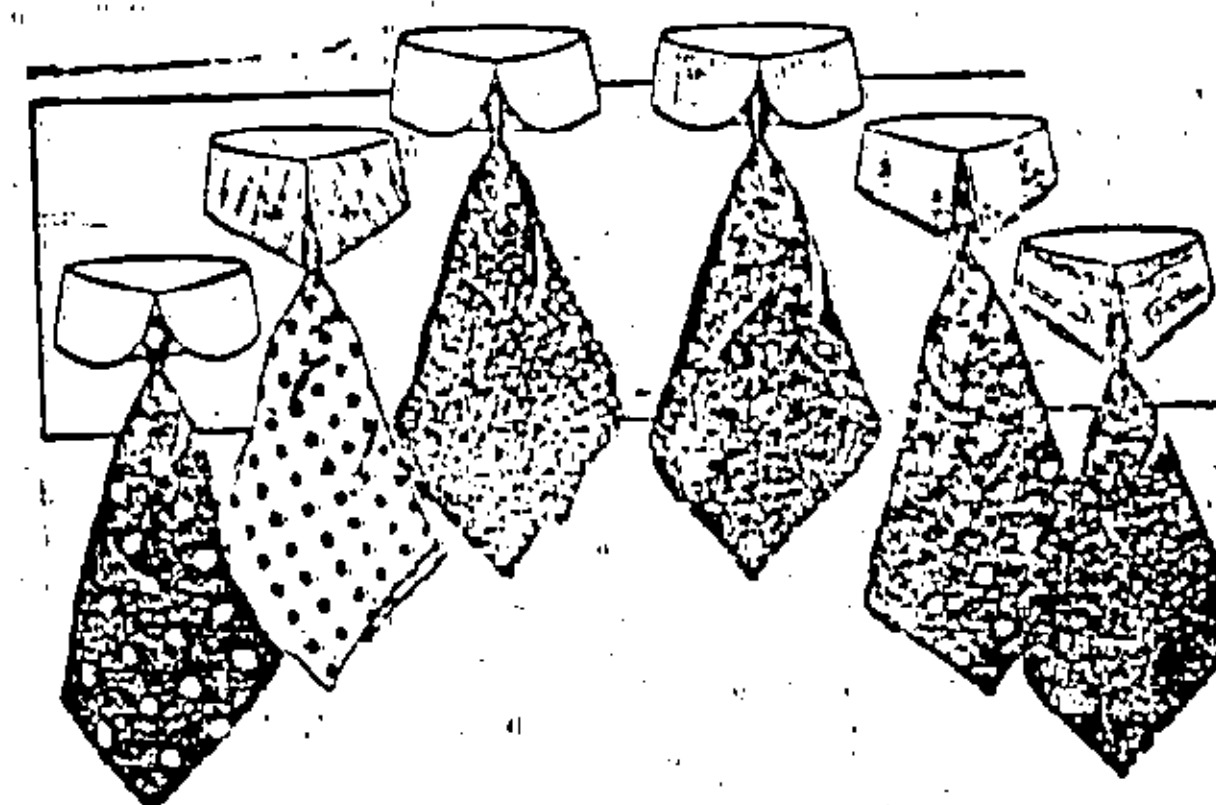
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With the help of Madame Bostwick he succeeded in grafting some interstitial glands, the sections of which hold the source of vital forces to old goats and rams, which recovered their youth and vigor.

He is of opinion that his laboratory experiments can be introduced into the operating theatre, and considers that an interstitial gland of a monkey, grafted on an old man, will restore to him his lost strength and youth.

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China Fire Ins.	\$138 n.
Hongkong Fire Ins.	\$330 s.
SERVICES.	
Douglas	\$90 n.
H.K. Steamboat	\$23 n.
Indo-China (Freight)	\$20 n.
De (Freight)	\$21 n.
Shall Transport	\$210 n.
Star Ferry	\$31 s.
RENTS.	
China Sugar	\$194 b.
Malabar Sugar	\$44 b.
MISCELLANEOUS.	
Kailan Mining Adm.	90/ b.
Langhate	T. 15 n.
Shanghai Loans	
Shanghai Exploration	\$2 s.
Railways	43/6 b.
Shanghai Mines	46/ b.
Ural Caspian	46/ b.
DOGS, WHARVES, GODOWNS, &c.	
V. & K. Wharf	\$65 s.
E. & W. Dogs	\$175 n.
De (Dogs)	\$180 s.
New Dogs	\$27 n.
LIVESTOCK & BUTCHERS.	
Central Estates	\$100/ n.
Hongkong Hotels	\$115 s.
Hongkong Lands	\$118 s.
Rowland Land	\$21 s.
Rowland Land	\$46 b.
Land Reclamations	\$150 s.
West Point	\$80 b. \$90 s.
COTTON & TEXTILES.	
Evo Cottons	\$650 n.
Kung Yik	\$480 n.
Leong Kung Mow	\$300 n.
Oriental	\$320 n.
Shanghai Cottons	\$280 n.
Yangtze Cottons	\$31 n.
MISCELLANEOUS.	
Cement	\$7 n.
China-Bornes	\$118 b.
China Lights and New	\$8.30 b.
China-Bornes	\$8 s.
Far East	\$22 s.
H.K. Electric	\$83 b.
Macao Ind.	\$34 n.
Hongkong Ropes	\$29 s.
H.K. Tramways	\$7.70 s.
Peak Tramways (Old)	\$7 s.
Peak Tramways (New)	\$7.30 s.
Steel Laundry	\$21 b.
H.K. Steel Foundry	\$10 n.
Water-Boats	\$12 b.
Watsons	\$83 s.
Wm. Poyles	\$12 b.
Wiseman's	\$27 b.

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## EXCHANGE.

Hongkong, December 16, 1919.

Bank Wire

On Demand

30 days sight

4 months sight

Documentary, 4 months sight

On Demand

Credit 4 months sight

On New York

On Demand

Credit 30 days sight

On Bombay

On Demand

On Calcutta

On Demand

On Singapore

On Demand

On Manila

On Demand

On Shanghai

On Demand

30 days sight (private paper), nom.

On Yokohama

On Demand

Gold Seal, 100 cts (per seal) \$1.30

Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate) \$3.80

Silver (per oz.) 78 1/2

Subsidiary Coins.

Hongkong 50 cents sub. par.

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## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

## UNITED STATES FOREGOES INTEREST.

LONDON, December 15th. The Daily Chronicle's New York correspondent states that the United States Government has agreed to permit the Allies to defer the minimum payment of interest on \$2,000,000,000 given as a loan to them during the war.

## COAL PROFITS BILL.

LONDON, December 15th. In the House of Commons, the Coal Profits Bill restricting the coalowners' profits to 144 a ton was dropped. Influential coalition groups opposed it but its abandonment was due to Labour opposition. The Miners' Federation today condemned the proposals.

LONDON, December 15th. In the House of Commons, the Labourites, Messrs. Adams, Bruce and Harcourt said that they favoured the limitation of profits but the Coal Profits Bill, under which the limitation expired on March 31st, would have meant chaos in the mining industry and the creation of a revolutionary atmosphere.

## THE IRISH SITUATION.

LONDON, December 15th. The police and troops simultaneously raided the houses of prominent Sinn Féin leaders in Dublin and elsewhere in Ireland.

There were numerous detentions, including Mr. Tom Kelly, M.P., who was sent in an armed vessel to England.

The Dublin Mansion House was surrounded and searched by the police and military later, owing to the suspected meeting of one of the suppressed organisations. The search was fruitless.

## LORD GREY RETURNING TO ENGLAND.

WASHINGTON, December 15th. Lord Grey is returning to England. His return to the United States is doubtful.

## MEXICAN INSOLENCE.

WASHINGTON, December 15th. Three Notes protesting against the interference with the operations of the American oil properties in Mexico due to lack of protection afforded them by the Mexican authorities were sent to Mexico within the last few months but Mexico has not replied.

## SOCIALIST VICTORY.

BRUSSELS, December 15th. The Socialist, Mr. Brunet has been elected President of the Chamber by 81 votes to 73 against the Catholic, M. Dewatri.

## MR. ASQUITH'S CLAIMS.

LONDON, December 15th. Mr. Asquith, speaking at Manchester and replying to Mr. Lloyd George's speech of December 14th, asserted that the Allied cause was never more vigorously conducted than in 1918 at the end of which the aggressive power of the enemy was decisively broken and the foundation was laid for a certain and speedy victory. He disagreed with the Premier that it was impossible to govern without a Coalition. He was convinced that the Liberal Party was perfectly capable of governing the country.

## THE FIUME IMPASSE.

LONDON, December 15th. D'Annunzio has informed General Badoglio that, if Italy guarantees not to renounce Fiume and not to evacuate the territories occupied since the Armistice, he was ready to co-operate and secure a return to normal conditions.

## THE HOUSING BILL.

LONDON, December 15th. The House of Commons spent an all-night sitting in the committee stage of the Housing Bill. Amendments were adopted under which private builders participate in subsidies. A Labour attempt to limit the rent of subsidised houses to 230 a year was defeated.

## WORLD'S WHEAT POSITION.

LONDON, December 15th. The Imperial Institute has issued a Bulletin dealing with the world's wheat position. This points out that the present production was 110,000,000 tons, the largest contributor being Russia with 22 million tons.

During the war the acreage outside of Europe increased 25 per cent. It is of opinion that at present there is a sufficiency of wheat, even without the help of Russia, to meet the requirements of the world. The article takes an optimistic view of the future in view of the fact that vast areas are awaiting development in Canada, Australia and elsewhere, while the average yield is susceptible of great improvement.

## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF THE COLONIES.

LONDON, December 15th. Lord Milner has appointed an Advisory Committee, of which he is Chairman, with the object of promoting economic development in the Colonies and the Protectorates. The members include Viscount Harcourt, Sir Owen Phillips, Sir William Mercer, Sir John Englehorn, Sir Herbert Rend, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, Mr. Geoffrey Dawson and Mr. Gilbert Grindle.

## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA BILL.

LONDON, December 15th. The House of Lords unanimously seconded the Government of India Bill.

## AMERICAN COAL SETTLEMENT.

WASHINGTON, December 15th. Mr. Garfield, the Fuel Administrator, who was so prominent in the recent coal strike negotiations, has resigned, disagreeing with the principle of settlement.

## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

## ALLIED PREMIERS' CONFERENCE.

LONDON, December 15th. The Italian Foreign Minister, Signor Scialoja, confers with Mr. Lloyd George and Mr. Clemenceau in London. There will be no meeting of the Supreme Council in Paris during Mr. Clemenceau's absence. It is stated in Paris that the whole question of the Peace Conference and the Council, owing to the departure of the American Delegation, will be one of the chief subjects of discussion in London.

PARIS, December 15th. M. Clemenceau has started for London. Reuter learns from a French source that M. Clemenceau and Mr. Lloyd George are discussing the situation arising from the application of the Peace Treaty and Germany's attitude. Both find themselves in complete accord, and have also arrived at satisfactory results as regards other Anglo-French questions. The matters affecting England, France and Italy will be discussed to-morrow when the Italian Foreign Minister, Signor Scialoja, will attend.

## DEATH OF THE PEACE TREATY.

WASHINGTON, December 15th. Senator Lodge precipitated the first discussion on the Peace Treaty in the Senate in the present session by declaring that it was dead unless it was again submitted by President Wilson. The demise was due to the Democrats.

Senator Underwood, on the contrary, argued that it could be called up at any time by a vote of the Senate. He charged the Republicans with the responsibility for the recent failure to ratify the Treaty.

## RUMANIA SIGNS TREATIES.

PARIS, December 15th. The Rumanian Plenipotentiary signed the protocol accepting the Austrian and Bulgarian Treaties and the Treaty for the protection of the minorities.

## BOLSHEVISTS FIGHTING LETTS.

COPENHAGEN, December 15th. From Riga, the Bolsheviks on December 15th, re-opened their offensive against the Letts supported by armoured trains. All attacks have hitherto been repulsed. Fighting continues.

LONDON, December 15th. A semi-official message from the South Russian front states that the Bolshevik attacks have been renewed with great vigour. Against the Caucasus Army the attacks definitely failed, while the Bolshevik gains on the Don section are counter-balanced by their losses.

A big Bolshevik attack against Tsaritsin delivered on December 1st, failed disastrously. General Wrangel's cavalry made vigorous counter offensive, cutting off the enemy's rear communications and compelling them to retire in disorder. Subsequently the enemy was driven back beyond Dubovka, thus abandoning all their gains in November.

In the Don sector the Cossacks recaptured Buturlivka and swept the enemy from the railway back to the town of Kalach, making large captures. Further west, the Bolsheviks reached Pavlovsk. On the Volga front the retirement generally continued, except around Birynch. The Reds occupied Bilgared and reached within 50 miles of Kharkov. They are now threatening Kharkov, where the situation is somewhat anxious.

## PRISONERS OF WAR CONFERENCE.

COPENHAGEN, December 15th. An agreement has been reached at the conference between Mr. O'Grady and M. Litvinoff, under which the Soviet Government permits the despatch of warm clothing, drugs, food, and money to British prisoners in return for the permission to load a ship with drugs for its own use. Arrangements have also been made to exchange letters at the frontier at stated intervals, enabling the British and Russian prisoners to communicate with their friends at their homes. Meanwhile, the prospect of an agreement on the whole question of exchange and repatriation of prisoners of war is not very promising.

COPENHAGEN, December 15th. M. Litvinoff, interviewed by Reuter's correspondent, declared that the only condition the Soviet Government would put forward as a basis of peace was non-interference by any foreign Power in the country's internal administration. He added that a response was made to the offer the present negotiation would be greatly facilitated.

COPENHAGEN, December 15th. Reliable information states that the British, French, Italian and American Ministers here have returned the Soviet peace offer in consequence of M. Litvinoff's action in infringing the pre-arranged terms of the O'Grady Conference.

## AERIAL ACCIDENT.

LONDON, December 15th. An Aircro aeroplane flying from Paris to London crashed in a field at Caterham, owing to a dense mist. A passenger was killed. The pilot was badly injured and was removed to hospital. This is the first accident involving personal injuries since the London-Paris service was inaugurated in August, though machines have flown 50,000 miles.

## OUR AIR FORCE.

LONDON, December 15th. A statement, issued in reference to the estimates of the Air Ministry shows a reduction of 19 millions, the revised figure being 54 millions against the March forecast of 73 millions. Amongst the causes for the reduction is the bringing down of the Air Force to a peace footing.

The maximum establishment, this year—exclusive of India which will be 150,000—will be reduced by March to 38,000.

An accompanying memorandum emphasises that the large proportion of the 1919-20 estimates is due to the charges arising out of the war for which no provision was required normally.

## THE RISE OF RUPEE.

LONDON, December 15th. The rupee is quoted at 2s. 4d.

## NOTICES.

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## POST OFFICE.

A direct exchange of Money Orders with the Republic of China will come into operation on and after the 1st January, 1920.

The Money Order Service with the Philippine Islands will be resumed on the 1st Jan., 1920.

Until further notice parcels for civil addresses in the provinces of Unino, Vicenza, Treviso Padua, Venice and Belluno in Italy will not be accepted for transmission unless posted under the British War Office Permit.

Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close before 5 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

In the case of Mails closing before 9 a.m. registration closes at 5 o'clock on the previous evening.

## INWARD MAILS.

WEDNESDAY, December 17.  
Shanghai—Per CEENAN.  
Shanghai—Per DILWALA.  
U.S.A. Japan and Shanghai—Per NILE.

THURSDAY, December 18.  
Japan—Per MISHIMA MARU.  
Straits—Per KAIFUKU MARU.  
Shanghai—Per NOVANA.

FRIDAY, December 19.  
Australia and Manila—Per NIKKO MARU.

THURSDAY, December 25.  
Straits—Per TOYO MARU.  
Bombay—Per TENSUN MARU.

## OUTWARD MAILS.

WEDNESDAY, December 17.  
Macao—Per SUI AN, 8.30 a.m.  
Hobow, Fakho and Haiphong—Per KAIFONG, 9 a.m.  
Straits—Per HAIYANG, 10 a.m.

THURSDAY, December 18.  
Straits, Japan, Ceylon, Mauritius, South Africa, India via Dhanushkodi, Egypt and EUROPE via LIVERPOOL—Per TEUCER. Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.

Japan via Moji—Per THRESIAS, 3 p.m.  
Macao—Per CHUEN CHOW, 4.30 p.m.  
Philippine Islands—Per LAERTES, 9 p.m.

THURSDAY, December 18.  
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa via Takao—Per SOBU MARU, 8 a.m.  
Macao—Per SUI TAI, 8.30 a.m.  
Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, South Africa, India via Dhanushkodi, Bombay and Aden—Per DILWALA. Registration 9.15 a.m. Letters 10.00 a.m.

Shanghai, North China, Japan via Nagasaki, Honolulu, Canada, United States, Central and South America and EUROPE via SAN FRANCISCO—Per TENYO MARU. Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.  
Per CHUEN CHOW, 4.30 p.m.

FRIDAY, December 19.  
Macao—Per SUI AN, 8.30 a.m.  
Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, South Africa, India via Dhanushkodi, Egypt and EUROPE via MARSEILLES—Per MISHIMA MARU. Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.

The Parcel Mail will be closed on Thursday, Dec 18, at 5 p.m.  
Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, South Africa, India via Dhanushkodi, Egypt and EUROPE via MARSEILLES—Per MISHIMA MARU. Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Fochow—Per HAIYANG, Noon.  
Philippine Islands—Per YUENSANG, 3 p.m.

Macao—Per CHUEN CHOW, 4.30 p.m.  
SATURDAY, December 20.  
Japan via Nagasaki—Per NIKKO MARU, 10 a.m.

Macao—Per SUI TAI, 1.30 p.m.  
Shanghai and North China—Per CEENAN, 3 p.m.  
Macao—Per CHUEN CHOW, 4.30 p.m.

SUNDAY, December 21.  
Macao—Per SUI AN, 8.30 a.m.

TUESDAY, December 23.  
Swatow, Amoy and Fochow—Per HAIYANG, Noon.  
WEDNESDAY, December 24.  
Philippine Islands, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island—Per TANGU MARU. Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m.

## HONGKONG FUND FOR DEVASTATED FRANCE.

PANSY DAY  
FRIDAY, 19th DECEMBER,

Street Sale of Fansy in the Morning.

## GRAND MASKED BALL

at Volunteer Headquarters, Garden Road,

at 9.30 p.m.

Admission \$5.00 including

LIGHT REFRESHMENTS.

Prizes will be given for the most original dominoes.

## CABARET

SATURDAY, 20th DECEMBER,

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TEA, TOMBOLA, THE "EVERYTHING" STALL

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VARIETY ENTERTAINMENT

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DANCING: 3 p.m. to midnight.

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"DANCE FOR FRANCE."

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TO-DAY, at 5.15 p.m.

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WILLIAM FARNUM

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HAROLD LLOYD

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"ALL ABOARD"

Prices: 60 cts. &amp; 30 cts.

at 7.15 p.m.

"THE BRASS BULLET"

EPISODE 13 &amp; 14.

TO-NIGHT, at 9.15 p.m.

GOLDWYN PRESENTS

MARY GARDEN

IN

## "THAIS"

Prices: \$1.50 & 80 cts.  
Booking at ROBINSON'S.

## THE HONGKONG THEATRE.

Tel. 2511.

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TO-NIGHT! TO-NIGHT!!

at 5.15 &amp; 9.15 p.m.

VALESKA SURATT

IN

## "THE SLAVE"

At 9.15 p.m. to-night, Mr. Rudolph Andre, who came from Honolulu will give an exhibition on the Hawaiian Steel Guitar during the performance.

## THE VICTORIA THEATRE.

TO-NIGHT! at 9.15 p.m. TO-NIGHT!

## "THE TIGER'S TRAIL"

Episode No. 13. Episode No. 14.

"THE FALSE IDOL." "AT THE FISTOL'S POINT"

HAROLD LLOYD in

"HERE COMES THE GIRL"

WEDNESDAY'S MATINEE:

WILLIAM FOX Presents

DOROTHY BERNARD in "SINS OF MEN"

HAROLD LLOYD "SWAT THE CROOK"

## LIST OF PASSENGERS.

## DEPARTED.

December 14.  
Per S.S. Tean, for Shanghai—Mr. G.A. Boyers, Mr. E. Benson, Mr. W. Arthur, Mr. and Mrs. A.S. Sorenson, Mr. H.G. Sadler, Mr. D. Macfie, Mr. A.C. Price, Mr. H.G. Reed, Mr. J.F. McMonie, Mr. F.G. Pratt, Mr. T.K. McIntyre, Mr. W. Harvey, Mr. G. Wood, Mr. & J. Traynor, Mr. D.L. Hunter, Mr. C.H. Catherton, Mr. H.A. Ayling, Mr. T.H. Payne, Mr. A.L. McGuire and Miss M. Tomlin.

## MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The C.M.S.S. Co's. s.s. Aile sailed from Shanghai on Monday morning and may be expected to arrive at this port on Wednesday afternoon.

The P.M.S.S. Co's. s.s. Ecuador sailed from Yokohama for Kobe on December 13.

The P. & O. & A.L. s.s. Novara left Shanghai for this Port on the 15th instant at 8.30 a.m., and is due here on the 18th instant at about 8 a.m.

The N.Y.K. s.s. Keihin Maru (Calcutta Line) left Calcutta for this port via Singapore on the 12th Dec., and is expected here on the 31st Dec.

The N.Y.K. s.s. Mishima Maru (European Line) left Shanghai for this port on the 15th Dec., and is expected here on the 18th December.

Latent Advertis.

The P. & O. & A.L. s.s. Dufferin left Shanghai for this Port on the 14th instant at 1.30 p.m., with the homeward English Mails, and is due here on the 17th instant at about 1 a.m.

The N.Y.K. s.s. Keihin Maru (Calcutta Line) left Singapore for this port on the 9th Dec., and is expected here on the 18th December.

## ARRIVALS.

December 18.

TAI SHUN, Chi, 1,200 tons, from Shanghai and Amoy, Capt. J. Halkett, U.M.S.N. Co., Wharf.

DOYLESTOWN, Amer., 1,610 tons, from Shanghai, Capt. P. C. Pratt, P.M.S.S. Co., Kowloon Wharf.

TEUCER, Brit., 2,650 tons, from Shanghai, Capt. W.E. Wallace, B. & S. Co.

YUENSANG, Brit., 1,128 tons, from Manila, Capt. A. C. Kennedy, J.M. & Co., C3.

ELDRIDGE, Amer., 5,482 tons, from Shanghai, Capt. C. Borg, Admiral Line, Kowloon Wharf.

KWANG LEE, Chi, 1,488 tons, from Shanghai, Capt. Bangster, O.M.S.N. Co., Wharf.

TELEMACHUS, Brit., 1,340 tons, from Saigon, Capt. E. Bentley, Wo Fat Sing, Bil.

## CLEARANCES.

December 18.

LUCHOW, Brit., noon, for Bangkok via Swatow, B. & S.

CHUSAN, Brit., 10 a.m., for Singapore via Swatow, B. & S.

LAKE GILPEN, Amer., 8 a.m., for Saigon and Singapore, P.M.S.N. Co.

SHANTUNG, Brit., noon, for Shanghai via Swatow, B. & S.

PAKHOL, Brit., noon, for Haiphong, B. & S.

HUPH, Brit., noon, for Bangkok via Hocho, B. & S.

AMBATILOS, Greek, noon, for Socabaya, Dodwell & Co.

HSIN TAI, Chi, 4 p.m., for Shanghai via Swatow, B. & S.

QUINNEBAUG, Amer., noon, for Fochow via Swatow, D.L. & Co.

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